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TELEGRAPHIC.

WINNIPEG, Feb. 2.

The Federal bank is in liquidation. Depositors will be paid in full.

Experts are making a thorough examination of the provincial finances of Manitoba.

The extreme weather which lately prevailed has been succeeded by a warm spell. One farmer near Medicine Hat has commenced farming operations.

No less than seven prominent officials of the late Central bank of Toronto are in hiding across the lines. The disclosures have been of a startling character.

Father McFaddin, and Blaine, nationalist, M. P., have been sentenced to four months' imprisonment for violating the crimes act. Mayor Sullivan of Dublin has been released and was given a grand ovation.

The Canadian Pacific is receiving no wheat for through shipment in consequence of the blockade of the line north of Lake Superior. There is also a blockade in the mountains caused by snow slides and there will be no trains from the coast for a week.

Dickenson, conservative, has been elected to the commons in Carleton, Ont., by 455 majority. Whitney, conservative, has been elected to the local house in Dundas, Ont. The latter is a conservative gain. McLeod, reform, and Henderson, conservative, are contesting Halton.

The political situation in Manitoba is getting interesting. The only opposition to be offered the ministers is to be at Portage la Prairie, where Smith and Martin are running. Greenway will probably be unopposed. Also Jones in South Winnipeg.

It is expected that dissolution and a general election will take place in a month's time. The principal objection to dissolution at the present time is a compromise proposition made by Sir John Macdonald which embraces branch line extensions and reduction of freight rates providing the agitation ceases and monopoly is allowed to continue until 1891. With the exception of extreme conservatives the proposals meet with little favor.

WINNIPEG, Feb. 4.

Dickinson's majority in Carleton is 600. Ripon and Morley addressed large gatherings in Dublin last night on Irish affairs.

Father Fahey, another Irish priest, has been arrested for taking part in proclaimed league meetings.

Harrison and Wilson, old members of the Norquay government, will reside one in St. Paul and the other in Minneapolis.

Winnipeg curlers have been wonderfully successful at the St. Paul carnival. Only one United States rink remains in competition. A reception is proposed on their return.

Sir John Macdonald says the fisheries commission has considered a number of questions and all except two or three are disposed of. He declined to give any intimation as to what these questions were.

Greenway announces his intention to pass redistribution and franchise acts on the assembling of the legislature and have a general election immediately thereafter. It seems probable that the compromise proposed will be pressed.

The police court in Toronto was crowded yesterday morning to hear the proceedings in the case of Alex. Manning, Elias Rogers, Henry Strathey and Richard Snelling of compounding felony. All pleaded not guilty. Several witnesses were examined and at the conclusion all the defendants except Rogers were committed for trial. Bail being accepted in \$100 each. Rogers was discharged for lack of evidence. Strathey was also committed on a charge of individually compounding felony.

BATTLEFORD, Feb. 3.

C. L. Sayer left for Saddle lake last Sunday.

Mr. Clinkskill left by last mail for Scotland.

Mr. H. Gisborne has been very sick with quinsy, but is now recovering.

The contract for ice for the police has been let to Nolin for \$1.20 a ton.

The next sitting of the supreme court is to be held here on Tuesday, March 3rd.

Mr. McPhillips expects to have his directory of Saskatchewan out by March 1st.

Mumps is very prevalent in town, and ten cases are reported at the industrial school.

Prince's grist mill is now running overtime. Wheat \$1 a bushel; flour \$3.25 a sack.

Joseph Burke, member of the late Manitoba government, is expected here next Monday.

The annual meeting of the Battleford rifle association is to be held at last year's ranges on the 24th of May.

P. M. Barker, inspector of registry offices, has finished his work here, and left for Calgary on Wednesday.

A meeting on Tuesday night to urge the building of a new bridge over Battle river was very largely attended.

Wm. Favel, a half breed from Fort Pelly, but for some years past a resident of this place, died on January 31st.

LOCAL.

MILD weather all week.

Dr. McINNIS is expected to arrive on Monday's stage.

A LARGE number of freighters are on the way out to Calgary.

GEO. BULL, lately miller for Fraser & Co. went out on Thursday's stage.

REPORTED that the Oblat fathers will erect a large convent in Edmonton next summer.

W. C. GILLIES, G. F. Tupper and Louis Thompson arrived from Victoria on Friday.

EFFORTS are being made to induce a piano tuner to make a business visit to Edmonton.

V. ANDERSON arrived on Wednesday on the way to Saddle lake with freight for the Indian department.

J. STEWART who had been on a visit to the east returned on Sunday, and went out again by Thursday's stage.

THE law partnership of Messrs. Strachan & Prieur has been dissolved. Mr. Prieur will open an office in St. Albert.

THOS. EDMUNDSON has given up the position of clerk in the employ of the Indian department at the Saddle lake agency.

E. CAREY, of Norris & Carey, was a passenger on Thursday's outgoing stage to Calgary. He will return in two weeks.

TELEPHONES have been put in at the Alberta hotel and A. Macdonald & Co.'s store this week, making twelve in use in Edmonton.

EDMONTON public school: Pupils on roll—girls, 39; boys, 35; total 74. Average attendance for January, 1888, 63. Average for Jan., '87, 35.

VERY little freight is lying at Calgary for Edmonton outside of Indian contract supplies. What is there has been delayed by a scarcity of sleighs.

REPORTED that Indians of the Riviere Qui Barre reserves have lately killed some of the government cattle given them, being incited thereto by hunger.

REPORTED that Bishop Grandin's late efforts in Ottawa to secure scrip for the children of North-West half-breeds born between 1870 and 1885 have been successful.

P. V. GAUVREAU, government land agent at Edmonton, was in Calgary when the last stage left on his way back from Quebec. He is expected to arrive home on Monday next.

MISSIONARY services in the Methodist church on Sunday, 19th inst., at which Rev. Mr. Glass of Battle river and Rev. Mr. McLachlan of Victoria will assist. A week evening service will be held during the week following.

In mentioning the death of Mrs. Burnette at Ft. Saskatchewan last week the BULLETIN was mistaken in saying that Mr. Burnette was absent at the time. He had left Edmonton to go to Lac la Biche, but on reaching Ft. Saskatchewan and finding his wife taken ill he remained with her. Mrs. Burnette leaves two young children.

The eclipse of the moon occurred satisfactorily according to announcement on Saturday evening last, shortly after its appearance above the horizon in the east and the disappearance of the sun below it in the west. The air was clear and the sky cloudless so that the eclipse was plainly visible. It was almost total.

W.M. HAULE, trader from Moose lake, this side of Lesser Slave lake, arrived on Friday evening with two trains of dogs loaded with furs. He reports fur scarce and traders numerous at that place. The road from the Landing in was bad. He met Louis Hainault's outfit on the way. The man whose feet were frozen when he arrived at Edmonton had recovered and was travelling ahead of the dogs.

ADVICES received by cable at the H. B. offices here yesterday are to the effect that at the fur sales held in London, England, on January 30th and 31st and February 1st beaver, lynx, fox, mink and martin showed a decline of 25 per cent. It is probable that other furs will have declined in proportion, but advices regarding them have not yet been received. This will mean a serious loss to traders generally on the present winter's operations, as they are now trading on the prices which ruled last fall.

D. R. FRASER and five men left for the Landing on Tuesday to saw lumber for the new H. B. steamer.

AN ox was missed from J. Norris' ranch on the Black Mud, south side, last fall, and was not seen afterwards until about the 1st of this month when he filed an appearance at one of the stopping places on the trail this side of Peace hills. He was in good condition when found and must have rustled his whole living during all the time he was away as there are no hay stacks in the locality where he was.

THE following is a list of the lands in Belmont school district patented or to be patented to the Edmonton & Saskatchewan Land Company: In township 53, range 23—fractional south-east $\frac{1}{4}$ of section 7, 120 acres, and the south $\frac{1}{4}$ of section 31, 320 acres. In township 53, range 24, all of section 13, 640 acres; North-west $\frac{1}{4}$ of section 15, 160 acres; south $\frac{1}{4}$ of the north-west $\frac{1}{4}$ and the west $\frac{1}{4}$ of the north $\frac{1}{4}$ of the north-west $\frac{1}{4}$ of section 17, 120 acres; north $\frac{1}{4}$ and south-west $\frac{1}{4}$ of section 19, 480 acres; east $\frac{1}{4}$ of section 25, 320 acres; all of section 31, 640 acres; all of section 35, 640 acres; and the west $\frac{1}{4}$ of section 33, 320 acres; 3,760 acres in all.

R. LOGAN and Jas. Pruden arrived from Beaver lake on Thursday. The winter has been fine out there and cattle can rustle for themselves during the fine weather. Some fish were caught in the lake in the fall, but none since winter commenced. Although Mr. Logan's place is only a few feet above the level of the lake and near its shore he recently dug a well 30 feet through clay without getting water, and abandoned it. At about 20 feet down a large piece of coal was dug up, imbedded in which Mr. Logan's little boy found an ordinary pin, but blackened by its contact with the coal. The boy was playing with the coal breaking it to pieces with his fingers, one of which he scratched on the pin. He gave the pin to his father who gave it to J. Norris, sr., of Norris & Carey.

A MEETING of the Edmonton school board was held in Lafferty & Smith's office on Feb. 2nd. All the members were present; M. McCauley, chairman. The minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed. The bond of the treasurer, for \$1,000, John Cameron and M. McCauley, sureties, was accepted. The account of W. Stiff for new desks and repairs to the building, \$34.55, was passed and ordered to be paid. Tenders for the assessment of the district were received as follows: R. Coleman, \$47; Jas. Martin, \$50; Frank Osborne, \$60; and A. E. Johnstone, \$40. The latter was accepted. Moved that Jas. McDonald, builder, be requested to furnish a plan and specifications for an addition to the present school building, 24x36, one story frame. The meeting was adjourned until the 9th inst.

The hospital building at Ft. Saskatchewan was burned to the ground on Tuesday morning last with all its contents. No patients were in the hospital at the time and the only occupants of the building were Dr. Tulloch, acting surgeon to G division, Staff Sgt. Little and Constable Maxwell. All were absent from the building on various duties. Maxwell was the last to leave, having gone to the barracks, some 400 yards distant, to order wood. In a very few minutes after his departure smoke was seen coming out of the upperstory. A general rush was made to the building, but already it was so full of smoke and so thoroughly afire that the flames could not be put out, nor could anything be saved. The post is supplied with Babcock extinguishers and hand grenades and had a fire picket on duty, who had inspected the building and reported all safe within a quarter of an hour before the fire was first discovered. Everything possible was done to subdue the fire, but without effect. It was first noticed about 9:45 a.m. and was over in half an hour. The building belonged to Sgt. Major Belcher, now of Regina, who erected it as a dwelling a number of years ago, and was valued at between \$700 and \$1,000. The value of the hospital stores and appliances belonging to the government which it contained cannot be accurately given, but were probably worth \$1,200 to \$1,500. Dr. Tulloch and Sgt. Little lost all their private belongings, worth at least \$1,000, so that the total loss will run from \$3,000 to \$3,500. So far as heard there was no insurance. An investigation was held on Thursday regarding the fire by a board of officers, consisting of Inspectors Piercy and Casey, the former chairman, at which the foregoing facts were established. No further light was thrown on the cause of the fire, but it is supposed to have been accidental.

STAGE arrived on Monday evening on time. No passengers.

THE Vampire of Saturday, Jan. 21st, arrived on Monday evening, Jan. 30th, just ten days from Toronto.

PROBABLY the smallest piece of business that the interior department has yet got down to is the closing of MacKenzie Bros' saw mill at Red Deer. These men came from Manitoba some four or five years ago with considerable capital which they invested at once in establishing a settlement on the Red Deer at the mouth of the Blind Man. The small saw mill which they then brought in has since done good service to the settlement although it has not been very profitable to the owners owing to the limited demand for lumber. Now, when the demand is likely to increase the MacKenzies are told that they must secure timber limits or give up cutting. Government favorites have already secured all the limits of value on the river, and the MacKenzies have not the capital necessary to acquire and hold a large tract of timber land, so that they are practically frozen out of business to their loss and that of the surrounding settlement by our progressive and enlightened government. Is it any wonder that the settlement of the North-West is slow?

BELMONT SCHOOL.

Honor roll for January.

4TH CLASS, SR.—Willie McKay, 231; John McLeod, 216; Albert Fraser, 207; Simon Borrow and Christine McKay (equal), 200. Possible, 330.

4TH CLASS, JR.—Geo. Fraser, 201; Mary McLeod, 183; Geo. Price, 181. Possible, 294.

3RD CLASS.—John Coleman, 181; Maggie McLeod and Isabel Gullion (equal), 147. Possible, 250.

2ND CLASS, SR.—Caroline Gullion, 149; Jane Price, 146; Lottie Coleman, 126. Possible, 180.

2ND CLASS, JR.—Maggie Fraser, Thomas Price.

1ST CLASS.—Dolina McLeod, Willie Fraser. Average attendance, 17; number on roll 25.

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Near Egg Lake, south of Victoria, in November, 1887, one red and one black horse, no brands. Owner can recover by applying personally to the undersigned, proving property and paying all expenses.

JOHN P. ANDERSON.

January 27th, 1888.

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EDMONTON BULLETIN, FEB. 4, 1888.

The Free Press recently made a strong point in favor of commercial union with the States on behalf of the North-West by showing that the United States duty now imposed on Canadian coal was all that prevented the unlimited development of the Alberta coal fields. The anthracite are of course the most valuable of Alberta's coal deposits, and it appears that there is not now and never was any United States duty on anthracite. We have commercial union now as far as anthracite is concerned, we have the anthracite, and yet she fails to boom. Whatever the reason may be it certainly is not the United States tariff.

N. F. DAVIN writes to the Toronto Week that the Call in advocating the opening of the odd sections in the North-West to settlement is stealing his thunder—that in the Leader he advocated that policy on the accession of Mr. White to the ministry of the interior. It may be well to refresh Mr. Davin's memory of the fact that the BULLETIN was years ahead of the Leader in advocating that course. But, speaking of thunder, where was Mr. Davin's thunder on this highly important subject when he was in the position to back up the thunder of his voice with the lightning of his vote—to wit, at last session of parliament? Thunder without lightning is merely amusing.

The proposal to stock western ranges with West Highland cattle has grown from the idea that their shaggy hides would furnish a substitute for the now practically extinct buffalo, and also from the belief that they would stand the winter better than the finer breeds. Both surmises are doubtless correct. The Earl of Dunnmore who has cattle interests in Harris, Scotland, and also in the United States is leading in the matter. Half the money that has been expended in introducing the thin skinned stable-reared Durhams and Herefords to the plains of the North-West would have achieved double the amount of success had it been expended in the introduction of the thick-furred Highland cattle which have been used to rustling their living in all weathers as far back as any knowledge of them extends.

LATEST accounts indicate that far from the Greenway government being in danger from the opposition on account of its small majority in the house, it has nothing whatever to fear from that quarter. There seems to have been an utter revulsion of feeling against Norquay and Norquayism throughout the province. Even the conservative press in the east has nothing to say in Mr. Norquay's defence. The fact of the matter appears to be that on the foundation of a good personal reputation Mr. Norquay built the most wide-spreading and thorough system of political corruption that has ever existed in any province of Canada since confederation. A system that as long as it stood in place defied criticism, but as soon as it was overthrown exposed a mass of utter rottenness with only the semblance of life remaining in it. If Greenway pursues the course he proposes he has nothing to fear from his opponents, at least until his objects have been achieved or their achievement has been proven impossible. Measures, not men, the people of Manitoba want now.

THE TORONTO NEWS becomes funny over a report that the mounted police are to be provided with cow skin overcoats for winter riding. Although the BULLETIN is not aware that any such sensible idea has yet entered the heads of the police authorities, now that the present supply of buffalo coats cannot be renewed it begs to say that the only funny thing about the idea is that it was not hit upon long ago. A prime, properly dressed cow skin will make almost as warm and serviceable a coat as a buffalo skin. The varied natural color is no defect as they can be dyed of a uniform color. No amount of cloth, no matter how good, will keep out the winter winds as well as a comparatively light leather coat. If the police are to be serviceable in the winter they must be supplied with suitable clothing and cow skin is better than cloth. A good coat is not the only requirement to make winter riding safe and comfortable. The coat is necessarily short and does not cover the men's knees. The natives of the country have always found it necessary to wear leggings in the winter to protect their knees, as the southern cowboys wear chaps. The addition of leggings to the policeman's winter costume when on mounted duty might detract from his smart appearance, but would add greatly to his comfort and safety and consequent usefulness in cases of emergency.

MINING.

THE TORONTO WORLD has taken upon itself the task of developing the mineral resources of Ontario. Being a protectionist journal it would be natural to expect that its proposition would relate to some hocus pocus of the tariff. That it does not, if it be supposed that the World is sincere in its advocacy of the cause, is proof that that specially accredited organ and champion of protection knows of no possible increase of tariff will bring about the desired development. This is important inasmuch as only at last session of parliament at the instigation of the minister of finance, endorsed by the World, an increase was made in the iron tariff on the distinct understanding that that increase would bring about exactly the development that the World now clamors for. That that increase in the tariff has failed of its alleged object the World's present action is proof. But the World does not ask to have the useless and expensive endeavor abandoned.

Its idea as it proclaims it is to have the Ontario government make a thorough exploration of the mineral areas of the country with a view to arriving at an understanding of their value. A very proper and moderate proposition in itself; but when the World promises that as a result of a moderate expenditure in mere exploration the vast stores of mineral wealth already known to exist will be developed it is promising too much. The mineral wealth of Northern Ontario is its iron. The most important factors in the profitable production of iron are cheap labor, cheap coal and cheap carriage. If a protective policy has any effect that effect is to increase the natural cost of certain necessary articles, which again increase the cost of labor—not necessarily to the profit of the laborer however. Therefore when the World demands of the Ontario government that it shall develop the mining industries of the province, and at the same time upholds a protective policy, it is demanding that it shall make brick, but is withholding from it the needful straw. What applies regarding the mineral resources of Ontario applies as well to those of the North-West. The protective or rather restrictive policy under which the country is now governed, is the most insurmountable barrier in the way of the development of the mineral resources of the North-West as well as of Ontario.

As the iron region of Ontario is without coal the first necessary for bringing coal to the iron is railroad communication. But railroads are expensive to build, and to operate afterwards as well. The mine cannot be developed without the railroad and the railroad will not pay to build until the mine is developed, and its value established; so there is a dead lock. A railroad now runs through a great portion of the mineral region of Ontario, and although it was not built with any regard to the mining industry, incidentally it has done more to bring that industry into prominence and to make its prosecution possible than all other forces combined. Other roads are projected through other portions of the mineral region, the Nipissing & James' Bay railway for instance. If the World would advocate the construction of that road, it would be doing a great deal more than at present to develop the northern mines. And if after that road reached James Bay it advocated the construction of a branch westward to say Rat Portage, it would be doing still more. With such a line and branch built, the whole mineral area of Ontario would be surrounded or intersected by railways, so that wherever a mine was struck a short branch line at most would reach it. Of course this line besides developing Ontario would give Manitoba its much coveted outlet on the waters of Hudson's Bay, and a line to the St. Lawrence in competition with the C. P. R. as well; and this is a sufficient reason why the World would rather fill its columns with balderdash about the results to flow from the sending out of a few survey parties to explore ground already explored, than to advocate the building of such a line. It is not the development of the mining industry that the World wants. It hopes by rousing a cry to divert attention from the fact now patent in Toronto itself as well as throughout the country that the policy of robbery and

restriction which it is paid to advocate and call protection, has utterly failed to realize the promises made regarding it. Free trade in goods and free trade in railways is what is required to permit the development of the agricultural resources of Ontario and the North-West, and the not less important mineral resources of both as well.

THE EXPERIENCE of the present winter as far as it has gone has shown the necessity that exists for a public hall in Edmonton. The population has now become so large that none of the buildings at present available are adequate for the needs of the community. As the matter stands a first class secular entertainment of any kind cannot be given because no building in the place can accommodate an audience or party sufficiently large to make it worth while to get up such an entertainment. Of course people don't have to get up entertainments or go to them, but as a matter of fact they do get them up under all circumstances, and when there is one the better it is the more satisfactory and beneficial all around. When a suitable building is lacking neither those who entertain nor those entertained can—so to speak—get the worth of their money. When there is a sufficient population of sufficient leisure and means to turn out so largely to entertainments of so many various descriptions as have been offered to the Edmonton public, or sections thereof, this season, there cannot be lacking sufficient funds to build a suitable hall or sufficient interest in the affair to cause the investment of the funds. A hall built as a private speculation would probably be the most satisfactory all around, were it proven that the speculation would be sufficiently profitable. But as the amount of profit could only be determined by experiment and as most of the moneyed men here have certainly profitable uses for their money they can hardly be expected to withdraw such a large sum as would be necessary from a certain to put it in an uncertain enterprise. Probably the most likely way to secure a hall during the coming summer would be for all those who are favorably interested in the project either directly or indirectly to unite their interests in a joint stock company, the incorporation of which would only cost a trifle. By this means all those likely to use the hall might become interested in it, and having become interested, they would be more certain to use it than if it were held by an interest contrary to theirs. Therefore under the joint stock system it would be more likely to yield a profit than under any other. There can be no doubt that with a good hall at command the winter amusements of the place would be more numerous, more varied and generally better than at present. By so much the pleasures of life would be increased, residence here would be more attractive than at present, and the place would reap a corresponding commercial benefit.

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AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

The regular annual meeting of the Edmonton and St. Albert Agricultural Society was held in the Edmonton public school house on Saturday last, Jan. 28th. The meeting, which was not as well attended as it should have been, was opened at 2 p.m. with the president in the chair. After the minutes of the previous meeting had been read and confirmed the secretary-treasurer presented the following financial statement.

RECEIPTS.

Balance from 1886	\$127.10
Government grant	250.00
Door receipts	12.50
Local subscriptions	201.00
	591.60
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Prizes awarded	467.50
Director's dinner	10.00
Printing	37.00
Rent of hall	5.00
Clearing hall	3.00
Stamps and stationery	3.75
Donation to sec.-treas.	25.00
	551.25

EXPENDITURE.

Balance on hand	\$40.35
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Certified correct,
JOHN A. McDougall,

Auditor.

After the adoption of the sec'y-treasurer's report came the election of officers and directors for 1888, with the following results. President, G. H. Long; 1st Vice-President, D. Maloney; 2nd Vice-President, J. T. Turner; Secretary-treasurer, Jas. Martin. Directors, Edmonton, Messrs. M. McCauley, M. Groat, John Looby; Sturgeon River, G. Hutton, D. Craig; Clover Bar, L. Fulton; South Side, R. McKernan; Little Mountain A. Hutchings. Auditor, J. A. McDougall.

The routine business having been brought to an end the president, G. S. Long, made a few remarks on the advisability of those present giving full vent to their opinions regarding any changes they thought necessary respecting the agricultural society.

J. T. Turner, representative of Clover Bar, being called upon responded by stating he had nothing to say as "Clover Bar was dead."

R. McKernan thought somebody should say something, if nothing more than the good that our society has already accomplished, and that members should take the present opportunity of expressing their opinions so that the officers and directors might take note of their wishes and govern themselves accordingly.

After a varied discussion anent subscriptions, and making exhibitors permanent subscribers by retaining the amount of their subscription each year from their prize money, it was decided that the present system was the most satisfactory, as in the proposed plan no exhibitor need necessarily or in fact would not be permitted to pay more than the minimum entrance fee of one dollar.

M. McCauley said he thought that the means of increasing the revenue of the society was a matter that required careful consideration but did not see that any change could be beneficially made at present.

The existence of a good, sound progressive agricultural society was a strong inducement to bring in settlers from the outside world,

as it proved to intending immigrants that the district possessed the necessary qualifications for successful agricultural operations.

He said that in looking back we had not had very much to complain of in the past. Though the wheat and the barley had been caught by the frost and suffered thereby yet oats and vegetables had been on the whole an average crop. There would be sufficient seed for next year so that we would thus be able to sustain our good reputation by not being under the necessity of asking government aid, which many of our neighbors have had to do in less trying seasons. We have much to be thankful for inasmuch as we have not been visited by any infectious diseases in man or beast. Not only have we reason to be thankful for being spared this infliction but we should be truly thankful that we have cast our lot here, where there is plenty of hay, coal and pure water. This district he considered the garden of the North-West and had no doubt that it had a grand future before it. He was glad to see the very great improvement in live stock at the last exhibition. Farmers were now beginning to raise stock of a much superior breed than hitherto and he thought that the farming community might show a good deal more interest in that which was of vital importance to themselves than they did.

With reference to the land grant to the society he said they had made application for a land grant and that Mr. Brydges had promised to attend to the matter. A committee had been, or was to have been, appointed to consult with Mr. Brydges when passing through here, but owing to his short stay they had failed to connect. He had spoken personally to Mr. Brydges while on the road to Athabasca Landing and he assured him that he would be most happy to lend all the help he could and had no doubt that the grant would be given on application.

Mr. Long suggested that the show be held for two days as judges could not do justice in deciding the merits of the different articles.

cles in such a short space of time as was allowed them. Neither was it satisfactory to the visitors, as no sooner was the judging done than exhibitors commenced hauling off their exhibits. He therefore thought it would be better to have all the entries made the day before so that the hall could be thrown open to the public as early as possible the following day.

The meeting then adjourned to meet at the call of the president.

INDIANS.

S. Cunningham, M. N. W. C., for St. Albert, who returned recently from a trip to Lac la Biche, reports the condition of many of the Indians in the Victoria agency as deplorable. Probably the worst off are those known as the Beaver lake band near Lac la Biche. In '85 members of this band plundered the H. B. store at Lac la Biche and the band was therefore classed as rebel. Several of those most implicated in the plundering were arrested by the police in the winter of '85, but were afterwards released without trial. Although the offences of these leaders were not considered sufficiently grave to warrant their legal punishment, or even trial, the band has ever since been cut off from any assistance by the Indian department. The cattle which were given to them before were taken away, also some horses which were their own private property, and no supplies of any kind have since been given to them. Not only so but when in '86 some of them who had white blood wished to withdraw from the treaty and get scrip as half-breeds they were not allowed to do so. This winter they are on the verge of starvation and are a burden to the mission and half-breed settlers at Lac la Biche. Other bands have received a small quantity of beef from the government, but not nearly as much as they require and no flour. Game is scarcer than usual this winter and the supplies have been cut down to a lower point than ever before. The consequence is that the Whitefish lake band at one time came to the conclusion to kill their cattle, but probably the intention was not carried out.

The state of affairs in the Edmonton agency Mr. Cunningham declares to be no better. His dwelling in St. Albert settlement is only a few miles distant from the Stony Plain reserve where the agency is now located, and he complains that he and his neighbors are being eaten out by Indians from the reserve who come begging from them. He says that they are actually dying of hunger. A small amount of beef is issued to them, but not enough to support life. The condition of affairs at Riviere Qui Barre reserves and Lake St. Ann is similar. While game may be more plentiful in the further outlying districts government supplies are, if possible, scarcer. He has represented the condition of affairs repeatedly by letter to the authorities at Regina without effect, and thinks it high time to give the shameful conduct of the department publicity.

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For all articles or goods not in a vehicle over one hundred pounds, per 100 lbs 2c

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GENERAL.

Natural gas has been struck near Turtle mountain, Dakota. MacLeod has subscribed \$5,000 with which to start a grist mill.

Parliament is definitely called for the despatch of business on February 23rd.

The Regina Leader speaks of diphtheria as though it was prevalent in that town.

Five deaths from freezing occurred at Ft. Worth, Texas, in the blizzard of Jan. 12th.

Up to date the depth of snow in Rogers' pass of the Selkirk range, B. C., is 13 feet six inches.

Nova Scotia gold mines yielded \$21,100 worth of gold in November last, from 2,517 tons of quartz crushed.

Petley & Petley and McKean & Co., Toronto dry goods men, have been asked to assign by their creditors.

At the sheriff's sale of G. F. Tupper's furniture on Saturday, H. S. Young bought the lot for \$335, on H. B. account.

A second blizzard is reported from Southern Minnesota and Dakota on Jan. 19th, with the thermometer 33 below.

An Ottawa despatch of Jan. 23rd says that no definite settlement of the fisheries question at Washington is expected.

Fifty thousand ties are being got out for the North-West Central railway in the Riding mountains north of Brandon.

The Free Press intimates that all the Greenway ministers will practically have a walk-over in their re-election contests.

The Prince Albert Times calls attention to the necessity of treating with the Indians in the northern part of the district of Saskatchewan.

Hon. Mr. Pardie, Ontario commissioner of crown lands, has gone to Florida for the good of his health, although the legislature is in session.

The last number of the Echo received has a portrait, sketch and biography of "Bill Nye," the leading humorist of the day in the United States.

W. R. Bowen in the Toronto Monetary Times asserts that beaver can be easily and profitably domesticated and that otter can be still more easily.

A telegram was received on Monday evening, to the effect that the January sales of H. B. Co. fur in London, showed a heavy decline in prices of beaver.

An English lad named James Milton was frozen to death in the late blizzard, near Qu'Appelle while going from the house in which he was living to a neighbor's.

The London Illustrated of Jan. 14th has a splendid full page portrait of the Crown Prince of Germany, and another of the Crown Princess and her three daughters.

As a first step towards the settlement of the vacant lands of the province the new premier of Manitoba has addressed a circular to the heads of the various municipalities to find out what amount of vacant land is held in each.

The Calgary Tribune reports that McKenzie Bros. of Red Deer, who own the only saw mill in operation on the Red Deer, have been ordered by the department of interior to quit sawing.

Governor Larabee of Iowa says that the enforcement of prohibition in that state has by reducing crime made possible the reduction of the number of judicial districts and judges from 44 to 40.

The Winnipeg Sun says that Luxton, proprietor of the Free Press, will vacate his seat for South Winnipeg in favor of L. M. Jones, mayor of Winnipeg, who has been taken into the Greenway cabinet.

The Prince Albert Times mentions an expenditure of \$30,000 on private buildings in that town during the past season. Two brick school houses costing \$6,000 and \$3,000 respectively were erected.

The motion to give Winnipeg a third member in the local legislature was moved by Drewry and seconded by Luxton, the two present members. It was opposed by members from rural constituencies on both sides of the house.

The ascertained list of deaths in Dakota and Minnesota by the blizzard of Jan. 12th has reached 217, but the final returns will go far over these figures. In Bonhomme county 140 head of frozen cattle were counted in one place and 200 in another.

The Free Press of Jan. 24th announces editorially that there is a cash deficit in the Manitoba treasury of \$315,000, and that unpaid bonds are out for \$160,000 more. This, besides a part of the Red River Valley indebtedness and the floating debts of the province, the amount of which is yet unknown.

The Calgary Herald reports that Staff Sgt. Bagley, at one time of Ft. Saskatchewan and Edmonton, has been reduced a stripe and transferred from Regina, where he was leader of the police band, to MacLeod for refusing to play in the Episcopal church; the reason of his refusal being that he was not allowed to play in the Catholic church to which he belonged. This beats the boot blacking case.

It is now reported that Stenhouse the British Columbia, M. P. P., who resigned his seat in the legislature in order to join the Mormons is to remove to Lee's creek, Alberta, instead of to Utah. The paper mentioning the fact alludes to that settlement as a "cancerous growth."

The MacLeod Gazette reports the capture of an Indian supposed to be Deerfoot by a police scout named Robt. Giveen. The scout had to shoot the Indian, wounding him in the thigh, in order to effect the capture. Unfortunately it turns out that he is not Deerfoot. The Indian is in hospital at MacLeod and will recover.

Greenway's electoral address, besides the points mentioned in last week's telegrams, promises to change the financial year to correspond with the calendar year, and declares for the completion of the R. R. V. with western connection south of the Assiniboine. Also for a simpler and cheaper municipal system, and a better and more largely aided educational system.

The Saskatchewan Herald has entered upon its 10th year of publication. The Herald was the first newspaper established in the North-West, and still holds the place of one of the best. That the North-West in general and Battleford district in particular have not gone ahead more rapidly is no fault of the Herald. It is to be hoped that the enterprise shown in the establishment of the paper, the ability displayed in its conduct and the perseverance which has kept it going in rain and shine will not have to wait much longer for suitable reward in the opportunity that railroad communication will give.

The first numbers of the Toronto Saturday Night, E. E. Sheppard's new paper, are to hand. Saturday Night is a twelve-page, handsomely illustrated paper, published weekly and devoted to its readers. It is essentially a paper of to-day. Its news matter is crisp, clean, original and sparkling.

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DEATH.

BRUNETTE.—At Ft. Saskatchewan on Saturday, Jan. 28th, Jane, wife of P. Brunette, aged 25 years.

The funeral took place to the Roman Catholic cemetery Ft. Saskatchewan on Monday the 30th and was very largely attended.

METEOROLOGICAL.

Weather report for week ending Saturday morning, January 21st, 1888. Reported for the BULLETIN by Mr. Alexander Taylor, observer at Edmonton.

	Max.	Min.
Saturday,	50	
Sunday,	39	24
Monday,	33	11
Tuesday,	42	20
Wednesday,	19	14
Thursday,	21	9
Friday,	22	— 6
Saturday	— 9	

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